CITY OF TIGARD, OREGON

RESOLUTION NO. 98-51

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A NEIGHBORHOOD SEWER REIMBURSEMENT DISTRICT INCENTIVE PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the City has initiated the Neighborhood Sewer Extension Program to extend public sewers through Reimbursement Districts in accordance with TMC Chapter 13.09; and

WHEREAS, the amounts reimbursed by residential lot owners in the past have been below \$8,000 per connection; and

WHEREAS, the reimbursement districts that are currently under consideration have estimated reimbursement costs ranging from \$9,000 to \$14,000 per connection; and

WHEREAS, the costs of reversing residential plumbing, closing the existing septic tank, installation of a sewer lateral to connect to the public system, and payment of the connection fee add several thousand dollars more to the burden of a residential lot owner who wishes to connect to City sewer; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to initiate an incentive program to encourage residents to connect to public sewer; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that establishing a maximum reimbursement fee for residents to pay will further the objectives of the program by encouraging formation of sewer reimbursement districts and actual connections to public sewer; and

WHEREAS, based on previous reimbursement districts, the amount of \$8,000 appears to be a reasonable amount to establish as the maximum fee for reimbursement by residential lot owners; and

WHEREAS, the City Council concurs that the sum of \$15,000 should be established as the maximum cost per connection; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to offer this incentive program for a two-year period, after which the program will be evaluated for continuation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tigard City Council that:

SECTION 1: An incentive program is hereby established for the Neighborhood Sewer Extension

Program with a maximum fee of \$8,000 for reimbursement by residential lot owners. This applies only to the reimbursement fee for the sewer installation and not to the

connection fee, which is still payable upon application for sewer connection.

SECTION 2: This Resolution shall apply to sewer connections provided through sewer

reimbursement districts established by October 12, 2000. All connections qualifying

under this incentive program must be completed within one year after Council approval of the final City Engineer's Report following a final public hearing conducted in accordance with TMC Section 13.09.105.

SECTION 3: ·

The City Engineer's Report required by TMC Chapter 13.09 shall include a provision that to the extent that the reimbursement fee determined in accordance with Section 13.09.040 does not exceed \$15,000, the amount to be reimbursed by an owner of a lot zoned single-family residential shall not exceed \$8,000 per connection, provided the lot owner complies with the provisions of Section 2. Any amount over \$15,000 shall be reimbursed by the owner. Residential lot owners who do not connect to sewer in accordance with Section 2 shall pay the full reimbursement amount as determined by the final City Engineer's Report.

SECTION 4:

The funding source for the Neighborhood Sewer Reimbursement District Program shall provide the funding for the installation costs over \$8,000 up to a maximum of \$15,000 per connection.

PASSED:

This 13th day of October 1998.

Mayor - City of Tigard

ATTEST:

City Recorder - City of Tigard

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